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APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2002-00375

For a general increase in rates

HEARING EXAMINER'S RULING

January 27, 2003

The evidentiary hearing on the captioned proceeding was held on December 20, 2002, and the transcripts were filed on January 13, 2003. On January 24, 2003, the City of Hopewell, by counsel, filed a Motion to Dismiss.

I have been advised that the parties have agreed to a briefing schedule for the filing of post-hearing briefs. The parties have further agreed to include in the briefs any responses or reply to the Motion to Dismiss. Accordingly,

IT IS DIRECTED:

(1) That the parties shall file initial briefs on or before February 10, 2003. Such briefs may include a response to the Motion to Dismiss filed by the City of Hopewell; and

(2) That the City of Hopewell may file a reply brief on or before February 20, 2003, and include therein any reply to the responses to the Motion to Dismiss.

Alexander F. Skirpan, Jr.
Hearing Examiner